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Sahu language

Sahu (Sa'u, Sahu'u, Sau) is a North Halmahera language. Use is vigorous; dialects are Pa'disua (Palisua), Tala'i, Waioli, and Gamkonora. A fifth dialect, Ibu, used to be spoken near the mouth of the Ibu River.[3]

Sahu has many Ternate loanwords, a historical legacy of the dominance of the Ternate Sultanate in the Moluccas.[4]

Sahu	
Native to	Indonesia
Region	Halmahera
Native speakers	(7500 cited 1987)
Language family	West Papuan ▪ North Halmahera ▪ Sahu ▪ **Sahu**
Dialects	Waioli Pa'disua Gamkonora Tala'i Ibu †
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Either: `saj` – Sahu `ibu` – Ibu
Glottolog	`sahu1245 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/sahu1245)` Sahu[1] `ibuu1240 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/ibuu1240)` Ibu[2]

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